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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to Examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the last paragraph on page 9, starting on line 22-27 with the following:

--Other traits which are advantageous for a posterior chamber haptic include the haptic frame angling or vaulting backward instead of forward. The vaulting allows for a safer fit within the eye, reduces the possibility of the lens touching the tissue of the eye and reduces the chances that the haptic feet will obstruct the eyelet/cleat attachment. The vault 180, as shown in Figure 14 could be from about 0.02 mm to about 1.0 mm as required for the patient, including 0.05, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, and 0.9mm. The 2 to 4 mm (small) capsulorhexis 28 incision in the posterior chamber 18 of the capsule 21 is shown for phakoemulsification of the diseased lens.

Please replace the last paragraph on page 20, starting on line 25 and continuing through page 21, with the following paragraph:

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